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RAILROAD CONSTRUCTION
QUI VINH, NORTH VIETNAM
1915N 10541E

SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE STATUS OF CONSTRUCTION, SINCE 16 NOVEMBER 1965, OF TWO RAIL BRIDGES AND A RAIL SPUR WHICH BY-PASS THE DESTROYED QUI VINH RAILROAD BRIDGE OVER THE SONG HOANG MAI

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REMARKS:

SINCE THE DESTRUCTION OF THE QUI VINH RAILROAD BRIDGE OVER THE SONG HOANG MAI ON 09 APRIL 1965, THREE BY-PASS RAIL LINES HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED. ON PHOTOGRAPHY OF ONE OF THESE BY-PASSES, WHICH HAD RECENTLY BEEN COMPLETED, WAS OBSERVED TO BE UNSERVICEABLE AS A RESULT OF AN AIR STRIKE. THE SECOND BY-PASS WAS NOTED TO BE UNSERVICEABLE (EITHER DAMAGED OR UNDER CONSTRUCTION), AND WORK ON THE THIRD HAD NOT YET REACHED THE RIVER.

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MISSION READOUT:

UE 643A/1, 16 JANUARY 1966, REVEALS THE COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION OF TWO OF THE BY-PASS RAIL BRIDGES; RAIL TRACKS ARE EVIDENT ON THESE LINES AND BOTH BRIDGES ARE SERVICEABLE. CONSTRUCTION HAS BEEN ABANDONED ON THE THIRD RAIL BY-PASS (NOT SHOWN ON GRAPHIC).

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TEN RAIL CARS ARE OBSERVED ON A NEWLY-CONSTRUCTED
RAIL SPUR WHICH LEADS TO A RAIL/WATER TRANSSHIPMENT AREA,
AND APPROXIMATELY FORTY RAIL CARS (SOME OF WHICH ARE CANVAS-
COVERED) ARE NOTED IN THE RAIL YARD NEARBY.

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